



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Purchase of Three Notebook Computers for Public Works Department's Street Division under CMAS Contract (\$9,500)

MEETING DATE: August 4, 1999

PREPARED BY: Public Works Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the purchase of three notebook computers, for use by the Streets Division supervisors, from Dell Computer Corporation, in the amount of \$9,503.55.

Purchase would be made under the California Department of General Services' CMAS contract with Dell, approved by Council June 16, 1999, and currently being used for purchase of desktop systems.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: These notebook computers will be used by the three Street Supervisors for both field and office applications. Applications include a pavement management system used both on-site and off during the visual asphalt condition-rating operation. Field applications also include the gathering of information in the graffiti abatement effort, and the tracking of projects, such as sidewalk or pavement repairs. In the office, the notebook computers will serve as the Supervisors' network workstations in limited-space environments. Currently, the Supervisors do not have personal computers at their workstations.

Purchase from Dell is recommended for several reasons. First, the company continues to receive high marks for performance (Dell received an Editor's Choice award for notebooks in the August 1999 issue of PC Magazine), and for reliability and service. Second, by virtue of several competitive quotes, the City has Dell notebooks currently in service, so both users and support staff are familiar with the setup and operation of the computers. Also, the new notebooks would be compatible with existing Dell docking stations should a user need access to a larger monitor or to the City's network. Finally, pricing for the notebooks is covered under the CMAS contract with Dell, providing the City with the same discount schedule afforded to desktop systems.

A copy of the notebook computer's configuration is attached as Exhibit A.

FUNDING: Street Division's 1999/2000 Operating Budget

Funding Available:

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NOTEBOOK COMPUTERS
PUBLIC WORKS STREETS DIVISION
AUGUST 4, 1999

CONFIGURATION:

Processor:	400Mhz Pentium II
Display:	14.1" XGA TFT
Memory (SDRAM):	64Mb (1 DIMM)
Hard Drive:	4.8Gb
Operating System:	MS Windows NT Workstation V4.0
Modem:	None
CD-ROM Drive:	24X max/10X min
File Systems:	NTFS File System for Windows NT
Carry Case:	Nylon
Service:	3-yr next business day

Unit Price: \$2,940.00 + tax

RESOLUTION NO. 99-109

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE NOTEBOOK
COMPUTERS FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
STREET DIVISION UNDER CMAS CONTRACT

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WHEREAS, Lodi Municipal Code, §3.20.070, authorizes dispensing with bids for purchases of supplies, services or equipment when it is in the best interest of the City to do so; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has approved the use of CMAS contracts with Micron Electronics and Dell Computers for PC purchases up to \$15,000; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends use of the CMAS contract with Dell Computer Corporation be authorized for the purchase of three Notebook Computers for the Public Works Street Division, at a cost not to exceed \$9,503.55.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lodi does hereby approve the purchase of three Notebook Computers for the Public Works Department, Street Division, at a cost not to exceed \$9,503.55.

Dated: August 4, 1999

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 99-109, which was duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held August 4, 1999 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock, Mann, Nakanishi, Pennino and
Land (Mayor)

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


ALICE M. REIMCHE
City Clerk